U. S. A. T. SHERIDAN ON SHORE AT BARBER'S POINT

(From Baturday's Advertiser,)

At 1:38 o'clock yesterday morning the United States Army transport Sheridan, twenty-one days from Manila, struck a coral reef near Barber's Point lighthouse and stuck fast. Not until after daylight did the commander, Captain Peabody, succeed in getting word of the ship's plight ashore and transmitted to Honolulu.

Second Officer Cameron and four men with great difficulty landed on the beach, their boat having been smashed among the rocks and sunk in twelve feet of water. The news of the disaster was telephoned to Captain Humphrey, U. S. A. Quartermaster, from the wireless telegraph station at Barber's Point. A preliminary warning had been received from the pilots' office, from which after daybreak the transport was sighted at a standstill.

There were 125 passengers in the first cabin of the Sheridan, and about 50 in the steerage. None of the passengers are for Ho-nolulu. When the vessel struck Captain Peabody at once ordered the lifeboats lowered, as he thoroughly realized that the steamship was in a dangerous position. She was held amidships and immediately after sticking began to roll alarmingly. It was decided, however, that there would be no chance for a boat to live in the angry breakers inshore.

Upon receipt of the news by wire, bulkheads. which was supplemented with a report by the conductor of the inward morning train, derived from Japanese fishermen who had seen the transport tak-

stranded vessel. Captain Humphrey telephoned instructions to the revenue cutter Manning, working at the Manchuria wreck, to leave at once for the succor of the stranded transport on the opposite side of the island. The Inter-Island Steam Navigation Co. dispatched the steamer Claudine, Captain Parker, and Sprec-kels' tug Fearless, Captain Olsson, was also ordered to the rescue. These two powerful steamers were both on the way between 8 and 9:30 o'clock. The Manning left Waimanalo about 11:30 and arrived off Barber's Point at 2:55.

Later the Inter-Island steamer Helene was sent out to bring in the passen-gers, which she did early last night. CAUSE OF DISASTER.

There was only one explanation of the cause of the Sheridan's stranding, the cause of the Sheridan's stranding, which was that she was hugging the shore too closely. Captain Peabody assumed the sole blame. It is well known in Honolulu that the great Pacific liners give that quarter of the island a wide berth, holding well off until they can make a direct line for the Honolulu harbor entrance. When the Sheridan struck the night was beautifully moonlit, the weather fine and the Barber's Point beacon brightly

EXCITEMENT IN TOWN.

Naturally, following the stranding of the splendid Pacific Mail liner Man-churia but eleven days before upon the osite side of this island, the disaster to the Sheridan caused public excitement in Honolulu doubly intensified. Yet it was not more intense than the seriousness of the event justified, for was believed, not without reason, that the aves on board the Sheridan were in more peril than those on board the Manchuria before the latter were safely landed. The transport was in a worse position than the liner, with bottom more rugged, surf more violent and distance from shore greater,

and crew whose duty keeps them on board, it is a great satisfaction to be able to record that the transport's ngers were all safe and snug in Honolulu at early bedtime last night. It is pleasant, too, to have received late reports of a hopeful nature relative to the prospects of floating the vessel early this morning.

THE SHERIDAN HISTORY.

Originally the transport Sheridan was the British merchant steamer Massachusetts. She was acquired by the United States Government for the transport service in the Spanish-American war and has ever since been the erack transport of the fleet. For a long time she has been on the Army port route between San Francisco and Manila, with Nagasaki a coaling port and Guam and Honolulu calling stations. Captain Peabedy has made the round voyage as her commander many times.

The Sheridan was built in Belfast, Ireland, in 1892. She is of 5673 tons gross and 3654 net, constructed of steel. Her dimensions are 445.5 feet length, 49.2 feet breadth and 30 feet such perils as her present one, the Sheridan has a double bottom and five

SHERIDAN ON A CORAL HUMP

Secretary Atkinson, who went on board the wreck from Kalaeloa where the wireless station is situated, says the vessel is nearly two miles from shore and that soundings show deep water ahead as as well as astern. The vessel is as well as astern. The vessel is *
swinging on a hump of sand and *
coral amidship. This solitary *
hump of coral, though surround. *
ded by deep water, is a consider. *
able distance from the reef or *
line of breakers. "I would say," *
said the Secretary, "that the vessel is ashore on an 'uncharted *
rock." However, there is no question but that she will be floated *
very soon.

very soon. on which the transport is a stranded is the same which was struck some years ago by the S. S. Chita and which she reported arrival at Honolulu. That was, * I think, in 1893, and the British + cruiser Champion, which was stationed here at the time, went out * and searched for the rock in or * der to locate it and have it *

"I think it is only a question *
of a short time until the vessel *
is pulled off. Perhaps not tonight, but very possibly tomer. *

Captain Humphrey, of the Quarter-master's department, concerning the grounding of the Sheridan came ing the reef, all possible activity was through the pilots' office, Captain M. exercised in sending assistance to the N. Sanders having notified the transport agent, C. J. Webster, and asked him to communicate with Captain Humphrey. Captain Sanders noticed the smoke of a vessel off Barber's Point shortly after going on duty yesterday morning at 5:30. At first he was in doubt as to the identity of the vessel, thinking that possibly it was one of the Inter-Island steamers and on the other side of the point. To satisfy himself he went into the lookout where he was called up on the phone by mond Head Charley, who asked if he had noted the vessel and her close posi-tion inshore. At this time it was not apparent whether the vessel had cleared the point or not and it was watched

for some time to see.

But the smoke kept rising from the same point and the pilot made up his mind that what he saw was the transport in trouble.

He notified the transport agent that such was the case, advising him to inform Captain Humphrey, which was done. A few minutes afterward came the wireless dispatch from Barber's Point confirming the news.

It is a coincidence that the first word received by the agents of the Manchuria disaster should have also come from the pilot office, Captain Macaulay having called F. W. Klebaha up and informing him, after which he made the preliminary arrangements for the Fear less to leave for the wreck.

LATEST CHANGES IN TEACHING LIST

W. H. Babbitt, Superintendent of AS SEEN FROM nounced the following changes in the teaching list:

Miss Mabel Dean, who was engaged by Principal Edgar Wood in the East While the vessel is still in peril at on his recent trip, takes a position on this writing, together with her officers the teaching staff of the Normal school.

> Mrs. Bridgewater will return to the Normal, where also Miss Paxton will that the place of Miss Florence Hill, absent on the Coast.

Miss Rose Peck will act as pupil A boat from the Claudine has just eacher in the same institution. She left the transport and is shooting teacher in the same institution. She formerly taught on Maui and comes through the surf. Vice President Mc-back to finish her Normal course.

C. D. Mayfield has been appointed in structor of manual training in the Normal, giving his services also to other mal, giving his services also to other manual training to Honolulu to send the steamer to take off the lighthouse in the railroad boat from the Claudine that the transauto. The end of this line is to Waianor the same institution. She left the transport and is shooting through the surf. Vice President Mc-Lean of the 1-1. S. N. Co. and Alex. Lyle came ashore, after a pretty piece of surf - shooting. Mr. McLean is wiring to Honolulu to send the steamer boat from the Claudine that the transauto. The end of this line is to Waianor the same institution. She left the transport and is shooting through the surf. Vice President Mc-Lean of the 1-1. S. N. Co. and Alex. Lyle came ashore, after a pretty piece of surf - shooting. Mr. McLean is wiring to Honolulu to send the steamer boat from the Claudine that the transauto. The end of this line is to Waianor the same institution. She left the transport and is shooting through the surf. Vice President Mc-Lean of the 1-1. S. N. Co. and Alex. Lyle came ashore, after a pretty piece of surf - shooting. Mr. McLean is wiring to Honolulu to send the steamer boat from the Claudine that the transauto. The end of this line is to Waianor the same in through the surf. Vice President Mc-Lean of the Lean of th teacher in the same institution,

Mrs. Mary E. Powers goes to Ma-kaweli, Kauai, as a substitute, Mrs. M. E. Anderson is made as-sistant at Hanula, Oahu. B. B. Bramell goes to Papaikou, Ha-waii, as assistant. He was formerly a teacher in the Philippines and in Porto Rico.

Standing her in good stead for Ltd., agents for Hawaii.

THE FIRST ALARM. The first notification received by THE U. S. ARMY TRANSPORT SHERIDAN.

> (By Wireless Telegraph.) BARBER'S POINT, 8:30 p. m .- The Hongkong Maru passed here at 6 o'clock, two miles seaward, showing the course the Sheridan shoule have taken. The Hongkong looked small in the distance by comparison with the Sheridan. The latter was a remarkable distance out of her

> Helene and Claudine. Sergeant Parsons and fourteen marines in the naval station cutter landed on the beach in a heavy surf. They had a narrow escape from

> course when she struck. At this hour passengers are transferring to the

The steamer's boats have stopped coming ashore tonight. There

have been no accidents in transferring. The low tide has given the Sheridan more list. There is a heavy

swell but no wind and the vessel is resting easily.

The bursting of the steampipe just before the Sheridan began to drift ashore filled the transport with steam and fright. The passengers thought there was a fire.

A hundred tons of coal have been thrown overboard Captain Peabody was on the deck, not the bridge, when the vessel

The Helene sailed at eight with passengers.

NEVENTE HOLDING SELECT BY CITED WITH PRODUCED STORES Vessel struck, and only starboard en-would be a hardship indeed. gine is working. Repairs are being

is no appreciable change in her posi-

does not appear to be rolling.

There are no leaks.

Seamen Murphy and Mitchell are being sent aboard the transport again. Barber's Point, 3 p. m. Coal is being dumped overboard from the side to lighten the vessel, but there

The boat was wrecked.

The Sheridan's condition is serious. Secretary Atkinson is here and will the ship Astral, riding at anchor in the remain all night.

The surf is very high. A steam launch has just been low-

Helene to the transport to take off the passengers.

The vessel is about 1500 feet off shore.

The vessel is about 1500 feet off shore. and lies on the reef in a line with the tien as when she struck, shore 200 feet to Walluaward of the Jettisoning of the coa

The main steam pipe broke when the ing hard, and great black clouds of be on duty tonight.

smoke are beiching from their funnels, stranded vessel, apparently. The reef Secretary Atkinson has gone aboard the transport at the request of President J. A. Kennedy of the I.-I. S. N. scraped over an uncharted reef off Bar-Co. He has been at the lighthouse all ber's Point and a British man-of-war THE VESSEL RESTING EASILY Co. He has been at the lighthouse all ber's Point and a british that day, and is giving his attention to any was sent to search for it, but was details that come to his notice. He unsuccessful. The spot where the may go to town tonight in the Helene. Sheridan is hung up is uncharted. Vice President McLean says that the

transport appears to be pounding, as she sways from side to side. The bow of the transport still points toward the lighthouse.

It is now low tide. The red hull shows up high on the port side, which

broadside to the shore, Condition of the vessel is dangerous Capt. Peabody makes no statement except that he shoulders the blame. DEEP WATER ASTERN.

There is sixty feet depth of water From position of transport to shore the water is shoal, with breakers all along. Small boats ground before

reaching beach. The Sheridan still has a heavy list. The Claudine, with Maul freight aboard, will be delayed

A ROCKY COAST.

Barber's Point, 5 p. m. There is a curious coincidence about he wrecking of the Manchuria and the Sheridan. The Manchuria is ashore at Waimanalo, east Oahu, and the Sheridan ashore also at another Walmanalo, but on southwest Cahu.
This is a rocky coast. The country

between the Oahu Railway line and Barber's Point is a mass of coral outcroppings-land reefs, but thickly covered with klawe trees. The paths leading to the lighthouse and the wireless station are mere trails, hard

The lighthouse, built by the Territory or the old Hawaiian government, Passengers will come to Honolulu to- is a stone and concrete structure, paint-- BABBER'S POINT night.

Light was burning in lighthouse at gives warning at ten miles. The top is reached by iron rungs fastened outfrom which a fine view, not only of the sea, but the inland, is obtained. Ewa They came ashore in a boat at 7 a. m. Mill, with its observatory, far in the distance, is plainly seen, Diamond Head and the harbor are also in view, offing, being especially plain.

The shore is wild and rocky and the

sea dashes angrily over the coral reefs

some of the plantation people have no response from shore until the ar-

accommodating to the swarm of news

This liniment should occupy a promise of cuts, bruises and sprains. For sale by all dealers, Benson, Smith & Co. The Claudine and Fearless are pull- almost constantly at his desk and will

> The sailors who came ashore from the Sheridan this morning left their boat gage had been inspected by the cus-a wreck about two miles down the toms officers, they started townward in beach and their life-preservers are
> the beach. They were ashore nearly thrown overboard up to 8 p. m. The
> all day, but have been returned to the
> swell has carried the transport a little
> families on the reef on her port side beach and their life-preservers are on

at the time of the accident. The sec-ond officer was there on duty.

Bert Petrie of Castle & Cooke have ar- sagging. rived on the plantation railroad auto-car to survey the scene, and are re-turning to town. They are taking this dispatch to the train, Ewa plantation people have aided the Advertiser in reaching the beach with

their usual courtesy.
Will camp out for the night at the Hawalian fishermen's tent-place,

rectly on the beach, where small boats come ashore from the steamers. TAYLOR.

AS SEEN ON BOADD TRANSPORT

Aboard Transport Sheridan, Aug. 31, '06, 6:30 p. m. Secretary A. L. C. Atkinson has been

aboard all day. Captain Peabody a day or so previous to the Sheridan's going on the reef no-ticed a strong and unusual westerly current and as far as he knew, made que suculation for it.

on the Point was visible but Captain Peabody and Third Officer Kenealy who were on the bridge at the time judged the distance from shore to ship, to be four miles whereas it was little more than one mile.

REEF IS UNCHARTED.

seems to be a lone outcropping.

A DEATH ABOARD

The year old infant of Lieut, and Mrs. Bach died aboard today. The body will be taken ashore for burial. WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

A feature of the vessel is the number f women and babies aboard. The ship is a regular kindergarten.

A CONCERTED EFFORT.

7 p. m.-The Manning, Fearless and Claudine will make a big effort to get the transport off the reef at the high water, which occurs at 2 a. m. tomor-

If the attempt is unsuccessful, kedges will be put out, coal thrown overboard and the vessel lightened up 'midships and aft. She has about 3700 tons of coal aboard.

PASSENGERS GO TO TOWN.

8 p. m.-The Helene has left for Honolulu with the Sheridan's passengers. She will return tonight and stand by the transport. Captain Humphrey aboard.

The island steamer Nilhau with anchors and hawsers aboard will leave Honolulu for the Sheridan at 7 a. m. tomorrow.

MACHINERY DAMAGED.

The machinery of the vessel is said to be badly disrupted and her plates buckled. It is thought by those who upon ought to know that even should she be quickly pulled off she will need extensive repairs in Honolulu.

A STRANGE HOODOO.

It is a curious fact that there are 13 corpses aboard the Sheridan, being sent back to the States. THE MAILS.

HONOLULU, 10:30 p. m.—The Helene brought ashore three bags of Honolulu mail. She arrived a little before 10 o'clock. The mail for the Coast will be brought ashore tomorrow and will go forward by the S. S. Siberia on Tuesday next. This mail would have been brought ashore tonight but for the crowd of passengers taken aboard.

SIGNALS UNANSWERED. The Sheridan, immediately after

The Ewa plantation road runs close grounding, fired rockets and burned red to the lighthouse on the Ewa side, and fire but these signals were greeted by - A NARROW ESCAPE.

shore 200 feet to Walluaward of the lighthouse. She is slanting bow on to- ward the lighthouse. The steamer Claudine has a line pulling direct from chored astern of the Sheridan, near etc., for Secretary Atkinson and repretent esternward, seaward. The Fearless the Claudine, but has no line attached sentatives of the Star and Advertiser, and both are pulling.

The lighthouse is directly on the Vice President McLean of the Inter- beach. The keeper's house is near by, and both are pulling.

Vice President McLean of the Inter- beach. The keeper's house is near by, and so fine the managed to clear the whirling mass of metal, however, and grabbing metal and house is a feet of the coar in the current toward the transport's revolving star-toward the transport's revolving star-toward the transport's revolving star-toward the transport's revolving star-toward the transport's revolving star-toward. ties that one of the crew who was

a life-buoy thrown to him, was able to keep affoat until picked up by a boat from the steamer Claudine.

PASSENGERS LANDED. The Helene landed the passengers at the naval wharf and after their bag-

search of hotel accommodations.

About 500 tons of coal had been farther on the reef on her port side than when she struck. The pulling of the tow-boats, unless holding anchors Messrs. Palmer of Ewa plantation and are out, cannot prevent the vessel from

(By Wireless Telegraph.)

KONA, Sept. 1 .- There was an unusual high tide at Kona today, the sea overflowing the fish ponds. Eight inches of rain fell during Au-

gust in Kona and Kau. The Mauna Loa took no passengers from here. She was full. Better ac-

commodations are expected in future. KAUAI POLITICS.

NAWILIWILI, Sept. 1 .- Wm. Huddy has announced himself as a candidate for supervisor from Hanalei. When the Sheridan struck, the light There will be a close fight between Charles Kahee and Huddy.

To avoid legal complications Judge De Bolt will formally open the Sep-tember term of the First Circuit Court this morning. It is a statutory holl-There is deep water all round the opening the term.

